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SURANGEL WHIPPS, JR.
President

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 489

“To amend the term of the Coordinated Border Management (CBM) Working Group established through Executive Order No. 475.”

WHEREAS, the Coordinated Border Management (CBM) Working Group was established through Executive Order No. 475 on September 21, 2022, in response to the need of an integrated approach to managing national border security and public health protocols and procedures; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 475 included an approximate two-year term for the CBM Working Group, which has expired on September 30, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the CBM Working Group’s mandate emphasizes coordination and mutual assistance among various government agencies, as the effectiveness of border security and management depends heavily on cooperation and mutual assistance between and among all relevant internal and external partners and requires efficient information exchange; and

WHEREAS, as Palau continues to upgrade our border management practices through streamlined policies and enhanced technological systems, we must ensure that all relevant government agencies are well-informed of the practices of related agencies; and

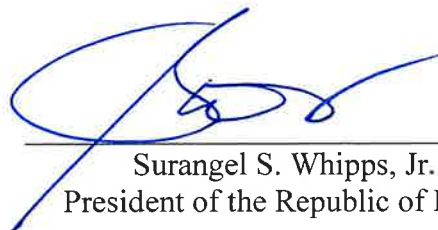
WHEREAS, the ongoing challenges and threats posed by transnational crimes and other illegal cross-border activities demonstrate the need to continue Palau’s sustained and coordinated efforts across national, regional, and international agencies; and

WHEREAS, based on the successful facilitation, collaboration, and resource-sharing among border agencies, the CBM Working Group has proven to be a critical platform for enhancing the Republic’s border security, and aims to continue modernizing border operations and expand on its achievements by revisiting relevant legislation, integrating new technologies, and ensuring ongoing capacity building;

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in me as President of the Republic of Palau pursuant to the Constitution and applicable laws of the Republic, I hereby order that the CBM Working Group shall remain in effect indefinitely until dissolved through subsequent Executive Order.

This Amendment to Executive Order No. 475 shall take effect immediately upon issuance and shall remain in effect unless otherwise amended, superseded, or rescinded. All other provisions of Executive Order No. 475 shall remain in full force.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal this 15th day of October 2024, in Koror, Republic of Palau.



Surangel S. Whipps, Jr.
President of the Republic of Palau